

Gejia language

The **Ge** or **Gejia** language (Chinese: 倮家语), also known as **Chong'anjiang Miao** **重安江苗语**, is a Miao language of Huangping County, Guizhou, China. The endonym is spelled *Mhong*, though it shares this with Huishui Miao; it is pronounced [mõŋ], as in the Hmong language. When speaking Chinese, they call themselves *Gédōu*.

Gejia is spoken in eastern Guizhou, in speech islands within the area of the Hmu language, which includes the standard dialect.

Dongjia

The Dongjia (东家) language of Majiang County, Guizhou is closely related to Gejia. The Dongjia people are officially classified as She, but speak a West Hmongic language. Their autonym is *Gameng* (嘎孟), while the neighboring Raojia people call them *Gadou* (嘎斗). The Dongjia people of Liubao 六堡村, Xingshan Township 杏山镇, Majiang County was studied by Dong Bo (2008). Chen Xueyu (2011) considers Gejia and Dongjia to form two dialects of Chong'anjiang Miao, which belongs to the Chuanqiandian branch.

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Gejia	
Ge, Zhong'an River Miao	
倮家语, 重安江苗语	
Native to	China
Region	Guizhou
Ethnicity	Gejia
<div>Native speakers</div>	(60,000 cited 1995) ^[1]
<div>Language family</div>	<div>Hmong–Mien<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hmongic<ul style="list-style-type: none">Western Hmongic<ul style="list-style-type: none">Chuanqiandian cluster<ul style="list-style-type: none">Gejia</div>
Dialects	Gejia Dongjia
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	hmj
Glottolog	geee1239 (http://glottolog.org/resource/launguoid/id/geee1239) ^[2]

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